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Description: ff. 97 - Bound, s. XVIII, in quarter calf; marbled paper boards; morocco label on the spine: "Quantum Speculum Vincentii MS 1438." - Written in London in 1430, as signed on f. 97. Belonged to Sir Thomas Phillipps, who had acquired it from Thomas Thorpe shortly before 1840; Phillipps MS 9622; Phillipps sale, Sotheby's, 21 March 1895, lot 1134. H. W. Edwards Catalogue 106 [1963] n. 61; acquired from Edwards by the Huntington Library in July 1963. - Chronica, 5.

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Part 1: ff. 1-97v

Description: - Parchment - 120 x 178 mm - 1-1⁸ 12⁸(+9). Catchwords in lower right margin, most enclosed by scrolls; quire 1 with no visible signatures; quires 2-12, marked +, a-k and the leaves in roman numerals. 26 long lines, ruled in ink with the top and bottom 2 lines full across.

Country: England

Region:

Assigned Date: s. XV^{2/4}

Dated by scribe: No

Document: No

Cardinal point:

City: London

Searchable Date Range: 1425 - 1450

Inscribed Date: 1430

Number of Scribes: ;2: i, ff. 1-8v probably by an Englishman; ii, ff. 9-97 possibly by a foreigner working in London.

Script: Anglicana formata

Other Decoration: Opening initial, 6-line, in a German or Dutch style in light blue with red flourishing and infilled with void leaf designs; secondary initials, 3- or 2-line, bulbous and plain in the same light blue, with guide letters visible; alternating red and light blue paragraph marks. In quire 1, 1-line initials tinted yellow. Sources cited underscored in red; rubrics throughout.

Notes: On f. 97v, 6 brief extracts from the text in the same mid-fifteenth century secretary hand that occasionally annotates the text: "De providencia et partibus eius . . ." On f. 97, the text is followed by a 3-line note added in a sixteenth century hand, "Idcirco intermittitur Lex, et non procedit in aeternum, quia improbus circumsidet iustum. Idcirco prodit ius Lubricatum," and two Hebrew inscriptions in a single hand, the first "alleluia," the second a transliteration of the name "Robert Varchoff." Latin

Acknowledgments: - We thank Rabbi Norbert Weinberg for the transcription and translation of the two Hebrew notes.

Number of Texts: 1

Text 1: ff. 1-97v

Author: Vincent of Beauvais

Title: Speculum doctrinale, abbreviated

Title: Incipit quantum speculum Vincentii doctrinalis compositum per alphabetum et ad materias distinctum et primo de A.

Language(s): Latin

Incipit: Actor. Abstinencia est virtus qua gule voluptates in nobis restringimus aut resecamus. Valerius libro 2. Fuit antiquorum illa simplicitas in potu ciboque

Explicit: nam contra homines severissime adversum peccantes ingemimus et ipsi eadem committimus. Deo gracias. Amen. Explicit speculum fratris vincencii belvacensis ordinis predicatorum per distinctiones ad materias distinctum Sub anno domini 1430 in london.

Notes: Abbreviation of materials mainly in Bks. 4 and 5 of the Speculum doctrinale of Vincent of Beauvais, arranged alphabetically by topic. One other manuscript is known, Basle, Universitätsbibliothek, B.XI.3, ff. 238-308 (s. XIV; belonged to the Dominicans of Basle). The work was studied from the Basle manuscript by Ph. Delhay, "Un dictionnaire d'éthique attribué à Vincent de Beauvais," Mélanges de science religieuse 1 (1951) 65-84.